for Minorities (Repeal) Bill, 2004 were introduced in the Lok Sabha in December, 2004. The Bills were referred to the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment for examination. The recommendations of the Standing Committee on Social Justice and Empowerment regarding the Bills have been received. These, alongwith related issues, are being examined.

Installed capacity of wind power

3636. DR. M.A.M. RAMASWAMY. Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the total installed capacity of wind power in our country, as on date, State-wise;

(b) how much wind power has been added during the last three years, State-wise and year-wise;

(c) whether our country's wind power addition is abysmally low, as compared to China, USA and Spain;

(d) if so, the reasons for such a low addition; and

(e) the steps taken or propsed to be taken to generate more wind power in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR): (a) A total Wind Power capacity of 8753 MW has been installed in the country, till 31 st March, 2008. State-wise details are given in Statement-I *(See* below).

(b) A total Wind Power capacity of 5118 MW has been installed in the country during the last three years. State-wise details are given in Statement-II *(See* below).

(c) and (d) No, Sir. A wind power capacity 15120 MW were added during the year 2007 worldwide. While the contributions from USA, Spain and China were 5216 MW, 3515 MW and 3313 MW respectively, the wind power capacity addition in India during 2007 was 1580 MW which was comparable to the capacity addition during 2006 which was about 1840MW.

(e) Steps taken by the Government to encourage setting up of wind power projects in the country are concessional import duty on certain components of wind electric generator; excise duty exemption, ten years' tax holiday on income generated from wind power projects; benefit of accelerated depreciation; loan from Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) and other financial institutions; policies in the States for grid connection and sale of electricity generated; technical support by the Centre for Wind Energy Technology (C-WET) including detailed wind resource assessment to identify further potential sites.

Statement-l

State-wise Wind Power Installed Capacity (as on 31.03.2008)

States	Capacity (MW)
Andhra Pradesh	122.5
Gujarat	1252.9
Karnataka	1011.4
Kerala	6.5
Madhya Pradesh	187.7
Maharashtra	1755.9
Rajasthan	538.8
Tamil Nadu	3873.4
West Bengal	1.1
Others	32
TOTAL:	87532

Statement-II

State-wise Wind Power Installed Capacity during the last three years

States	Capacity (MW)
Andhra Pradesh	1.3
Gujarat	985.0
Karnataka	600.1
Kerala	4.5
Madhya Pradesh	1582
Maharashtra	1298.6
Rajasthan	254.1
Tamil Nadu	18162
TOTAL:	5118

Wind power potential

3637. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry clearly identifies the goals and roadmap to achieve the wind power potential of the country *i.e.* 45,000 MW;